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Applicants : Hertogs et al. Confirmation No.: 8312

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For : MUTATIONAL PROFILES IN HIV-1 PROTEASE AND REVERSE

TRANSCRIPTASE CORRELATED WITH PHENOTYPIC DRUG

RESISTANCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 12, 2005 for the above-captioned application, this amendment is filed together with a RCE. Please amend the above-captioned application as follows and consider the remarks thereafter.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.